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Title: System and Method for Interconnecting ATM Systems
Over an Intermediate ATM Network Using Switch
Virtual Connections

COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Sir:

The following remarks are submitted in response to the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance included in the Notice of Allowability dated March 9, 2005 in the above-identified application.

REMARKS

Applicants have reviewed the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance (hereinafter "Statement") given on page 2 of the Notice of Allowability. Based on this review, it appears that certain portions of the Statement may be viewed as mischaracterizing the actual limitations of the allowed claims.